

final course toward Level III certification in Program Management, required for my position. The position required certification within 18 months, which meant I had to finish by this summer. I have a daughter who is a senior in high school. When I was initially told I'd have to attend the 14-week Advanced Program Management Course at Fort Belvoir, I was in a panic not knowing how I could leave her for that long.

"Early last year it was announced the course would become a hybrid with six weeks at Fort Belvoir. Even six weeks away posed a huge problem for my family. I was ecstatic when I learned the course would also be taught in Huntsville. Roughly two-thirds of our class is local, so there is definitely a need here, given all the DoD acquisition ac-

tivities in Huntsville. There should be a steady stream of local attendees."

DGLs to Continue

The Distinguished Guest Lecturer series continues throughout the PMT-352 course. On Sept. 5, 2002, Section 701 students enjoyed a "brown bag" lunch lecture with Thomas Keenan, CEO Integrated Defense Technologies, Inc. IDT's principal business area is defense and commercial electronics, with 1,800 employees and annual sales approaching \$500 million. Keenan's background includes a 20-year career in DoD acquisition as a contracting officer. He moved to industry in 1982 and has held senior management positions with PEI Electronics, Wyle Labs, General Dynamics, Teledyne, and Lycoming.

The central theme of Keenan's discussion was source selection. He related his experience as a DoD Procurement Contracting Officer with the S-3 Viking, F-14 Tomcat, Blackhawk, and Comanche aircraft competitions along with his years of industry experience.

Future scheduled DGLs in Huntsville include Army Maj. Gen. John M. Urias, PEO, Air and Missile Defense; and Army Brig. Gen. (P) John W. Holly, Program Director, Ground Based Midcourse Defense, Missile Defense Agency.

Editor's Note: The DAU South Region has six PMT-352 classes scheduled for FY 03, with 30 students per course. For more information, contact your Defense Acquisition Career Manager.

ARMY SGT. SANDRA MORSE Named DAU's Enlisted Person of the Year

On Aug. 20, 2002, Army Col. Ronald Hayne, Director, Defense Acquisition University Operations Group, presented Army Sgt. Sandra Morse the Enlisted Person of the Year (EPOY) Award for 2001, during a ceremony held at DAU Headquarters, Fort Belvoir, Va. Morse was chosen from a field of top rated nominees competing in the EPOY program. The EPOY program recognizes personnel for outstanding performance, leadership, support of command mission, and community involvement during the selection year.

In addition to the Joint Service Commendation Medal, Morse received an engraved plaque; a \$100 savings bond; a \$100 gift certificate to the Post Exchange; a \$50 gift certificate to the Army and Air Force Exchange Service; a 96-hour pass; a \$25 check from the Non-commissioned Officers Association, Chapter 276; and a reserved EPOY parking space. A popular friend and colleague around the DAU Fort Belvoir campus, Morse is a talented Audiovisual Presentation Specialist in the DAU Video Services Department. (Morse was also awarded Enlisted Person of the 4th Quarter for 2001.)



Army Col. Ronald Hayne (left), Director, DAU Operations Group presents Army Sgt. Sandra Morse the Enlisted Person of the Year (EPOY) Award for 2001.

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